

To Whom It May Concern:

As an XM subscriber, I find disturbing and difficult to understand the NAB's argument that government should limit satellite broadcasting's ability to compete in any way, locally or nationally. Most of the government regulation of broadcasting airwaves has been based on the fact that there is a limited number of frequencies available and their use should serve the public's interest, convenience and necessity. Now that there are, in effect, more frequencies how do you justify more regulation? Shouldn't it be the opposite...less regulation? May the best competitor win. Isn't that The American Way? Why does a business with 75+ years head start need protection from these money-losing newcomers? Even if the satellite broadcaster's original authority did not include local origination, if the technology makes it possible then allow it. More choices will bring better choices. That's serving the public's interest, convenience and necessity.

Sincerely,

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